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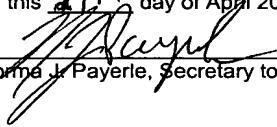
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Sir:

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2), before the mailing date of either a Final Action or Notice of Allowance. The fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), in the amount of \$180, is enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97, regarding the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicants hereby submit the following in compliance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR §1.56.

Information or art known to the Applicants and having an extent of relevance to the present application has been listed on PTO Form 1449 attached hereto. It includes nine foreign patent documents. The Applicants have employed PTO Form 1449 for the purpose of convenience of the Office and the Examiner.

No representation is made that the information is non-cumulative, or that the information represents the only or the best information. The Applicants do not admit that any of the information they have provided is necessarily prior to their invention but rather that it is information of which they

are aware and that they believe should be provided to the Office in fulfillment of their duty of disclosure. Any question that may arise regarding priority of a specific reference shall be resolved during prosecution.

Based upon the differences between the Applicants' invention as compared to the teachings and disclosures of the art provided, it is the Applicants' belief that their invention is neither anticipated nor suggested by these references. In the event further clarification of the art may be deemed necessary, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call from the Examiner. Should the Examiner hold a contrary opinion regarding relevance of any of the patents discussed herein, it will readily be reconsidered in light of any rejection which may be made.

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